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Please amend the claims as follows. This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the Application.

1. (currently amended) A method for providing enhanced conferencing control features in an Internet-based conference solution, comprising the steps of:
configuring a member using one or more commands to result in displaying a member icon on a computer screen;
storing the configuration for the member into a file;
assigning the member as a member administrator using one or more commands; and
allowing the member administrator to implement a plurality of first set functions, wherein said first set functions include at least one of a function for implementing Whisper functionality, a function for implementing Create Table functionality, and a function for implementing Create Avatar functionality, wherein said Create Avatar functionality includes facilitating creation of an avatar conference being conducted simultaneously with the conference, wherein participants of the Avatar conference ~~are~~ must be a subset of participants in the conference, and wherein an incarnation of the member administrator resides as the administrator in the avatar conference with all the capabilities that the member administrator has in the conference in addition of a bridge function that can selectively bridge the avatar conference with the conference.

2. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of configuring comprises inputting definition and identification information.

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3. (original) The method of claim 2, wherein the step of storing comprises storing the member configuration in a database.

4. (previously amended) The method of claim 3, further comprising the steps of: creating a conference room by the member administrator using one or more commands;

connecting to a server by the member administrator to allow other members to join the conference room using one or more commands; and

selecting certain of the other members by the member administrator to be conference participants in the conference room with the member administrator by using one or more commands; and

commencing communication in the conference room by the member administrator so that the selected certain other members and member administrator are conference participants using one or more commands.

5. (original) The method of claim 4, wherein the commands are graphical user interface (GUI) commands.

6. (original) The method of claim 4, wherein the step of creating includes the member administrator selecting a first set secondary function (Room Commence), which is among other first set secondary functions (Room Adjourn, Room Transcribe).

7. (original) The method of claim 6, wherein the first set secondary function (Room Commence) creates and commences communication in the conference room.

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8. (original) The method of claim 7, wherein another of the first set secondary functions (Room Adjourn) closes the conference room and ends all communication.

9. (original) The method of claim 8, wherein another of the first set secondary functions (Room Transcribe) allows the member administrator to have the conference communication transcribed.

10. (original) The method of claim 4, wherein the step of connecting allows the member administrator to use a first set dialing function and first set tertiary functions (Phone, Location, IP Address) to access first set tertiary function first elements public branch exchange (PBX) or voice internet protocol (VoIP) gateway.

11. (original) The method of claim 4, wherein the step of commencing communication consists of the member administrator selecting a first set secondary function (Room Commence) to allow communication between the selected certain other members and member administrator in the conference room.

12. (canceled)

13. (previously amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the member administrator may select one of the first set functions (Mute) to mute the member administrator, whereas the selected certain other members as conference participants will not be able to hear the member administrator but the member administrator will be able to hear the selected certain other members as conference participants.

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14. (previously amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the member administrator may select one of the first set functions (Whisper) to whisper to a particular selected certain other member, whereas the member administrator and the particular selected certain other member will be able to communicate with each other without other non-particular selected certain other members as conference participants hearing them.

15. (previously amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the dialing function is a first set function (Dial) that allows the member administrator to connect to first set tertiary functions (Phone, Location, or IP Address) to access first set tertiary function first elements public branch exchange (PBX) or voice internet protocol (VoIP) gateway.

16. (previously amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the member administrator may select one of the first set functions (Create Table) in order to create a table and select itself and a particular selected certain other member as conference participant to invite the particular selected certain other member as conference participant to a table session discussion.

17. (original) The method of claim 16, wherein the particular selected certain other member may accept, deny, or block the invitation from the member administrator to a table session discussion.

18. (original) The method of claim 17, wherein when the particular selected certain other member accepts the table invitation, the administrator and the particular selected certain other member may communicate between themselves in the separate table discussion and no other non-particular selected certain other member as conference participant in the conference can

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